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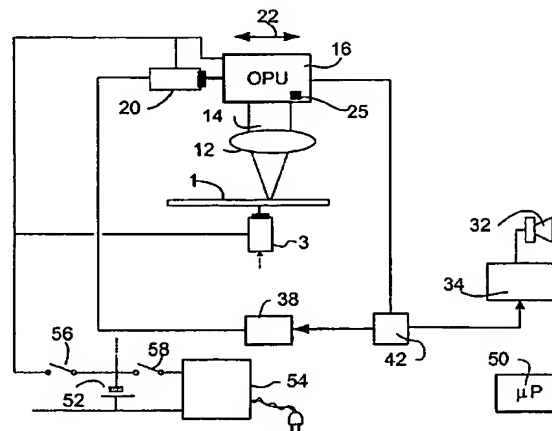
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(54) Title: DATA CARRIER FOR STORING FILES, APPARATUS FOR MANAGING SUCH A CARRIER AND METHOD FOR PROCESSING DATA, IN SUCH A CARRIER



(57) **Abstract:** The apparatus is suitable for managing a data carrier (1) obtaining a fast data transfer from it to the apparatus when the carrier is driven with a constant angular velocity (CAV). It comprises a motor (3) for driving the carrier, an optical head having a light source (16) for reading and/or writing data stored from and in it. Furthermore, it comprises means, involving a processor set (50), for determining the frequency of the use of files contained in the data carrier, such that the more frequently used ones are put in a location for a faster transfer. While the transfer is being performed, the motor and the light source are stopped so that supply energy is economized, which is interesting for a battery-operated apparatus. Application: The invention is well suited for small size R/W optical discs (SFFO).